Defense Contract Management Agency

PLAS - O - GRAM <00-07> Realignment of DCMA Center Organizations

PLAS Associates,

To implement the PLAS portion of DCMA General Order No. 01-00 dated March 31st, the following DCMA Centers are being realigned for PLAS reporting purposes effective with the pay period starting April 23rd:

- DCMA Business Support Unit (DCMAC-A) (assigned to DCMA-FBO)
- DCMA Earned Value Management Center (DCMAC-C) (assigned to DCMA-OCS)
- DCMA Contract Insurance Pension Center (DCMAC-E) (assigned to DCMA-OCB)
- DCMA Business Information Center (DCMAC-F) (assigned to DCMA-FBP)
- DCMA Software Center (DCMAC-G) (assigned to DCMA-OCT)
- DCMA Civil Military Integration Center (DCMCA-H) (assigned to DCMA-OCS)
- DCMA Personnel Development Center (DCMAC-I) (assigned to DCMA-HRW)
- DCMA Paperless Contracting Center (DCMAC-J) (assigned to DCMA-IT)
- DCMA Integrated Technology Center (DCMAC-K) (assigned to DCMA-IT)
- DCMA MOCAS Transition Assistance Center (DCMAC-M) (assigned to DCMA-OCB)

For those Center associates currently PLASing to Ft. Belvoir regardless of your physical location, the change will be completely transparent¹ – there will be no impact on PLAS logins or passwords as a result of the change. The primary visible evidence that the change has taken place will be that the "Team" code indicated on your PLAS Timecard Screen will changed to reflect the new symbol.

If you are a member of a Center which today PLASs' to either a District East or West Headquarters organization code, your PLAS account will be moved to Ft. Belvoir. Beginning on April 24th, you will need to have your PLAS Icon remapped to your new server and a new temporary password assigned before you can resume PLASing. Your current PLAS Administrator and local Network administrators can assist in making those changes. The DCMA Customer Response Center (CRC) and the PLAS Program Office can also help.

These changes will allow data for all DCMA Centers to be available from the same location, and will upgrade all associates to their new DCMA Center organization codes. These changes DO NOT affect the official transfer of associates in the pay system; they simply affect the organization code and server location used for PLAS reporting.

¹ Please note that Interns assigned to the DCMA Personnel Development Center (DCMAC-I) are an exception, and will PLAS to the local CAO assigned; see POG 00-06 for additional details.

So, what should I expect?

Several changes that you may experience include:

- New PLAS Administrator to call upon for help. Since all Centers will be operating out of a PLAS database located at DCMA Headquarters, the PLAS Administrator for HQ DCMA becomes your new best friend! Your new PLAS contact for help with your new account is Eileen Gross (703) 767-2391, or DSN 427-2391. Email is egross@dcmchq.dla.mil.
- Potentially longer PLAS connectivity times. If you are charging to PLAS at Ft. Belvoir for
 the first time, you may notice that PLAS seems a little slower. If so, the reach back to Ft.
 Belvoir may take slightly longer at times because of the greater distance your PLAS charges
 must travel. You may wish to consider enabling the User Setup "Cache" feature in PLAS to
 speed things up!
- Historical PLAS reports will require querying two separate organization codes. Because budget dollars already consumed are being split rather than being transferred to the gaining organizations, PLAS data prior to April 23rd will continue to be retained under the old organization codes, while all new inputs will be recorded to the new codes.
- Possible need to add local Program Codes. If you PLAS to a new server, <u>AND</u> you had locally established Program Codes you used to record work effort <u>AND</u> you wish to continue collecting data the way you did before the change contact Eileen Gross to re-build your local Program Codes in your new organization.

Some likely Questions & Answers:

- What if my PLAS does not work on Monday, April 24, 2000? Call your PLAS Administrator, which on that date will be Eileen Gross.
- What do the letters in my new organization codes mean? In PLAS, your Team code will be preceded by the letters "DC" to indicate your Team is a member of a DCMA Center. The letters after the "DC" should agree with the organization code you are assigned to in the pay roll system.
- What if I didn't get all my time for the old organization in before the switch? Work with your old PLAS Administrator to get old data recorded that was not input by the 23rd.
- What about the time I put in for my vacation in November? Any inputs you made for dates starting April 23rd and later will automatically be moved to your new organization from the old.
- Where will my data show up for Unit Cost purposes? Follow the dollars! Since DCMA
 Center budgets are being managed by District East effective upon transfer, Unit Cost reports
 and PLAS cubes will display data from the Centers in the District East sections. Note that
 data from earlier periods will continue to be found in the old locations.

Please note that other DCMA Centers not listed above will be realigned in the future.

PLAS Administrators at locations affected – please support your local Center(s) during this transition phase. Questions? Contact us at 1-888-PLASINFO or PLASHELP@dcmdw.dla.mil.

Respectfully,

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